

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:) Confirmation No.: 2445
Yasuyuki ARAI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2612
Serial No.: 10/586,049) Examiner: Daryl C. Pope
Filed: July 14, 2006)
For: FILM-LIKE ARTICLE AND METHOD)
FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME)

RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

The Final Official Action mailed March 31, 2010, and the Advisory Action mailed August 19, 2010, have been received and their contents carefully noted. A *Notice of Appeal* and *Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review* were filed September 29, 2010, with a *Request for Three Month Extension of Time*. A *Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review* was mailed February 2, 2011. This response is filed within one month of the mailing date of the *Notice of Panel Decision* and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time. Also, filed concurrently herewith is a *Request for Continued Examination*. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully submits that this response is being timely filed.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on July 14, 2006; August 21, 2006; and August 18, 2009.

Upon entry of Applicant's September 29, 2010 Supplemental Amendment, claims 2, 4-6, 9-11, 14-16, 19-21, 24-26, 29-31, 33, 35-37, 40-42, 45 and 47 will be pending in the present application, of which claims 2, 5, 6, 45 and 47 are independent. For the reasons set forth in detail below, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested.